

TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER  
SELECTBOARD / SEWER COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11, 2020

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Meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Lynne Bertram, Chair

Present: Norman (Nope) Martin, Jeff Sailer and Nancy Robinson

Visitors: Gloria Martin, Bruce Maxham, Bruce Martin, George Spear and Craig Jewett of Otter Creek Engineering

No additions or changes to agenda.

Nope moved to accept the minutes of January 28, 2020. Lynne seconded the motion and motion carried.

**Visitors:** No comment

Craig Jewett came to update the board on the status of the grants and reports for the Wastewater Treatment Facility. Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) has been sent to the Rural Development and has been approved with a few minor conditions which Craig and Chris are working on. One of the conditions is the need to have on hand "spare parts". Plan is to save parts that will be replaced and store them somewhere off site (not yet determined). Now that RD has the PER, a funding offer should be forthcoming. Craig is also recommending that the town apply for funding from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund which may offer the town a more competitive grant as it was recently funded with 10 million dollars for projects like Bridgewater's. Craig and Nancy have put the application list together and with board approval can be submitted. This is all non-binding but get the town on the list of projects that need funding. Funding offers should come in by late March or early April. Will require a public hearing of grant application which can be done either before or after a regular board meeting. Lynne moved and Nope seconded to authorize Nancy and/or Craig to apply for the Clean Water Revolving Fund Grant. Motion carried.

**Highway Report:** Jeff reported that all of the trucks are running. The 2019 will go into the shop for transmission problems, under warranty. Plowing and sanding as weather dictates, most storms are coming in the late afternoons or on weekends. Plowing and sanding the side roads seems to take a good share of the time after the main roads are done. Having a hard time finding a good turn around site on Little Sherburne Road due to full time resident living beyond the old turn around and still on the Class 3 section of the road. May need to make a new turn around site in the spring. The Annual Certificate of Mileage was signed, no changes to report.

**Treasurer's File:** Order sheet #19 (ck #'s 18680-18696) was reviewed and signed. The board signed the Certificate of No Tax Appeal or Suit Pending form. A current budget status report was given to the board for review.

**Clerk's File:** An excess weight permit was approved and signed for Barrett Trucking Co.

**Old business:** None

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**New business:** Brief discussion of Cannabis Resolution sent to town from VLCT regarding the regulation of cannabis. There is currently a bill S.54 that is working its way through the committees that would establish a commercial cannabis marketplace in Vermont. The Board tabled this item as it is being discussed in legislature and changing almost daily.

The next meeting will be on February 25<sup>th</sup> with the Informational Hearing for the proposed new fire station following at the Grange Hall at 6:30 pm.

Being no further business, the motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 5:19 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Nancy Robinson*

Nancy Robinson, Clerk